 1   On page 2, after line 7, insert the following:

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 3   "<u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 3.** A new section is added to chapter 42.17A

 4 RCW to read as follows:

 5   (1) The following persons and individuals must pay an annual fee

 6 to the commission:

 7   (a) Every political committee and candidate must pay a fee of two

 8 hundred dollars to the commission each calendar year that the

 9 political committee or candidate is required to report under RCW

10 42.17A.205,   42.17A.210,   42.17A.220,   42.17A.225,   42.17A.235,   or

11 42.17A.250;

12   (b) Every lobbyist whose total reportable accrued compensation for

13 lobbying, whether from or on behalf of one or more lobbyists'

14 employers, was ten thousand dollars or more for the previous calendar

15 year must pay a fee of two hundred dollars to the commission each

16 calendar year that it is required to report under RCW 42.17A.600,

17 42.17A.615, 42.17A.630, or 42.17A.640;

18   (c) Every lobbyist employer whose total reportable accrued

19 expenses and payments for lobbying, including those through or on

20 behalf of one or more lobbyists, was ten thousand dollars or more for

21 the previous calendar year, must pay a fee of two hundred dollars to

22 the commission each calendar year that it is required to report under

23 RCW 42.17A.600, 42.17A.615, 42.17A.630, or 42.17A.640;

24   (d) Every government entity that employs more than fifty full-time

25 equivalent employees must pay a fee of one hundred fifty dollars each

26 calendar year that it is required to report under RCW 42.17A.635(5);

27 and

1   (e) Every elected official that receives a salary for duties
2 performed related to that office in excess of ten thousand dollars and
3 is required to report under RCW 42.17A.700 must pay a fee of two
4 hundred dollars to the commission for each calendar year he or she is
5 an elected official and is required to report.

6   (2) No person or individual may be required to pay more than one
7 fee in a calendar year under this section. Any person may appeal a
8 fee to the commission if more than one fee under this section is
9 imposed on the person in a calendar year.

10   (3) The commission shall adopt rules and procedures to implement
11 this section.

12   (4) The legislature shall have the authority to adjust fees
13 commensurate to the amount appropriate to support the functions of
14 this program.

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16   NEW SECTION. **Sec. 4.** A new section is added to chapter 42.17A
17 RCW to read as follows:

18   (1) The public disclosure electronic filing account is created in
19 the custody of the state treasurer. All receipts from fees paid under
20 section 3 of this act must be deposited into the account.
21 Expenditures from the account may be used only for costs incurred as a
22 result of the design, development, implementation, and maintenance of:

23   (a) Computer hardware and software or other applications to
24 accommodate electronic filing of the reports required by this chapter;
25 and

26   (b) A database and query system compatible with current
27 architecture, technology, and operating systems that result in readily
28 available data to the public for review and analysis.

29   (2) Only the executive director of the public disclosure
30 commission, or the executive director's designee, may authorize
31 expenditures from the account. The account is subject to allotment
32 procedures under chapter 43.88 RCW, but an appropriation is not
33 required for expenditures."

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1   Renumber the remaining section consecutively and correct any
2 internal references accordingly.

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4   Correct the title.

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EFFECT: Establishes an annual fee for political committees,
     lobbyists, lobbyist employers, certain government entities, and
     certain elected officials to be paid to the PDC for data
     development costs and purchase and maintenance of computer
     hardware and software to maintain electronic filing of reports
     required by the PDC. Creates the Public Disclosure Electronic
     Filing Account.

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